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TARPON LAWS AND REGULATIONS

No person may have in possession a tarpon taken from Alabama waters smaller than sixty (60") inches in total length.

No person shall kill, possess, or harvest from the public waters of this state any fish of the species *megalops atlantica*, commonly known as tarpon, unless such person has purchased a tarpon tag.

Cost per tag......\$51.00 (TAG SHALL BE GOOD FOR ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF PURCHASE)

THIS TAG SHALL BE SECURELY ATTACHED THROUGH THE LOWER JAW OF THE FISH IMMEDIATELY UPON THE KILL OR HARVEST OF THE TARPON.

The Marine Resources Division requests that said person, within five (5) days after the landing of the fish, complete and submit the accompanying questionnaire for that tag to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division. This information will be used by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division in conducting tarpon research.

Any person, including a taxidermist, who possesses a tarpon which does not have a tag securely attached through the lower jaw of the fish may be subject to penalties as prescribed in Code of Alabama 1975, § 9-11-94.1. Provided, however, a taxidermist may remove the tag during the process of mounting a tarpon. The tag shall remain with the fish during any subsequent storage or shipment.



